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Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-25. (Cancelled)

- 26. (Currently Amended) A method for manufacturing gas turbine rotors having integral blading, wherein a plurality of rotor blades comprised of a blade pan and a footing of the blade connected thereto are mounted on a rotor mount, in particular on a disk or a ring, by capacitor discharge welding, wherein the footing of the blade includes a V-shaped cross section serving to provide contact between the rotor mount and the footing in the capacitor discharge welding and wherein the blade footing includes a non-V-shaped portion disposed between the V-shaped cross section and a groove defined by the rotor blade that extends along a length of the rotor blade, wherein a tool is engaged in the groove and a pressure force is applied to the rotor blade by the tool, and wherein thickened areas and/or protruding material and/or welding notches are machined off to a final contour of the gas turbine rotors having integral blading.
- 27. (Original) The method according to Claim 26, wherein the rotor blades are mounted on the rotor mount by capacitor discharge stud welding.
- 28. (Original) The method according to Claim 26, wherein an acutely tapered end of an area having the V-shaped cross section contacts the rotor mount, wherein the area has a cross section which becomes wider from the acutely tapered end to the blade pan.
- 29. (Cancelled)
- 30. (Original) The method according to Claim 26, wherein the thickened areas and/or protruding material and/or welding notches are machined off by milling or by electrochemical machining.

31. (Currently Amended) A gas turbine rotor, comprising:

a rotor blade having a blade pan and a blade footing, wherein the blade footing includes a V-shaped portion; and

a rotor mount defining a recess therein;

wherein the V-shaped portion of the blade footing is disposed within the recess of the rotor mount;

and wherein the blade footing includes a non-V-shaped portion disposed between the V-shaped portion and a groove defined by the rotor blade that extends along a length of the rotor blade.

- 32. (Original) The gas turbine rotor according to Claim 31, wherein the V-shaped portion is joined to the rotor mount by a capacitor discharge weld.
- 33. (Currently Amended) A method for joining a rotor blade to a rotor mount of a gas turbine rotor, comprising the steps of:

disposing a V-shaped portion of a blade footing of [[a]] <u>the</u> rotor blade in a recess defined by [[a]] <u>the</u> rotor mount; and

welding the V-shaped portion to the rotor mount by capacitor discharge welding:

wherein the blade footing includes a non-V-shaped portion disposed between the V-shaped portion and a groove defined by the rotor blade that extends along a length of the rotor blade and further comprising the steps of engaging a tool in the groove and applying a pressure force to the rotor blade by the tool.

- 34. (Cancelled)
- 35. (Cancelled)